

SENATE RESOLUTION 86
By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Charlotte Charles upon
being named East High School's Teacher of the
Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to
specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the
highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Charles is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished
herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Charles has recently been selected as Teacher of the Year at East
High School, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the
positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, having received her Bachelor of Science and Associate of Arts degrees
from Knoxville College and her master's degree from East Tennessee State University (ETSU),
Ms. Charles has also completed graduate work in the areas of Inclusive Classroom and Applied
Linguistics for Teachers at ETSU and pursued continuing education credit in Math Technology
Training II and Using Manipulatives at the Academy for Teachers of Science and Mathematics;
and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Charles is an extremely talented and compassionate educator
who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars
and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, serving with acumen and alacrity as an educator at East High School for the
past thirty-three years, Ms. Charles presently teaches Foundations Math I and II, Algebra I and
II, Technology II, and Gateway Review; and

WHEREAS, evincing true commitment to her students and her community, Charlotte Charles tutors students from Walters State Community College and Tusculum College after school; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Charles holds memberships in local, state, and national education associations, and her dedication to teaching has garnered her the Alpha Kappa Outstanding Math and Science Educator Award, a nomination for a Disney Teacher Award, and the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, a member of several civic and community organizations, Ms. Charles renders sterling service as the Youth Chairperson and the Chairperson of Poppy Distribution for American Legion Auxiliary Post 231; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated and devout individual, Charlotte Charles is a member of Thorn Hill Baptist Church, and has served the church as Secretary for several years. In addition, she leads her community in an annual food collection to benefit those in need; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Charles truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Charles truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Charlotte Charles on being chosen Teacher of the Year at East High School, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.